

# Arkansas

## Pecan Production Report

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This report contains the results from the *October 2007 Pecan Inquiry Survey*. The data is also posted on our Web site at the Internet address above and in a more detailed U.S. report at [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov). Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaire and interviews for this survey.

### Pecan Utilized Production, Forecast Down in Arkansas

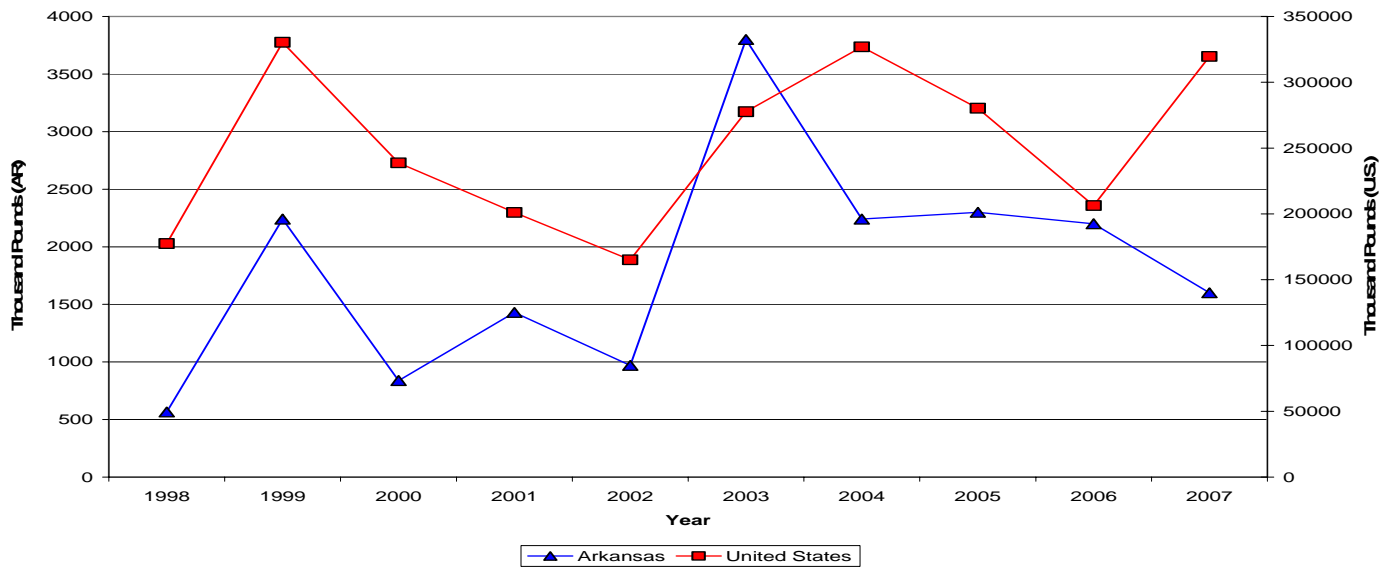
**Arkansas Highlights:** Pecan production in Arkansas as of October 1, 2007, is forecast at 1.6 million pounds, down 27 percent from the 2006 production of 2.2 million pounds. The freeze during the Easter weekend had a profound effect on pecan production in Arkansas.

**U.S. Highlights:** The October 1, 2007 United States forecast of pecan utilized production is 320 million pounds (in-shell basis), up 55 percent from last year's crop and 14 percent above 2005. Improved varieties are expected to produce 260 million pounds or 81 percent of the total, while native and seedling varieties, at 59.2 million pounds, make up the remaining 19 percent. The 2007 crop is expected to be larger than last year's in most producing States mainly because it is a high year in the alternate bearing pattern typical of pecans. Production is lower than last year in Arkansas, Kansas, and Missouri due to a severe Easter freeze, and in Louisiana, which is in a down-cycle production season.

**Pecans: Utilized Production by Variety, State, and United States,  
2005-2006 and Forecasted October 1, 2007**

Crop and State	Utilized Production			% Change from 2006
	2005	2006	2007	
	1,000 Pounds			
Alabama	4,000	6,000	11,000	+83
Arizona	22,000	14,000	23,000	+64
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>1,600</b>	<b>-27</b>
California	3,950	3,400	4,200	+24
Florida	1,000	500	1,000	+100
Georgia	80,000	42,000	100,000	+138
Kansas	3,200	2,000	200	-90
Louisiana	5,000	21,000	12,000	-43
Mississippi	1,000	2,500	3,000	+20
Missouri	2,600	1,100	5	-99
New Mexico	65,000	46,000	71,000	+54
North Carolina	2,000	500	600	+20
Oklahoma	21,000	17,000	20,000	+18
South Carolina	2,200	1,100	2,000	+82
Texas	65,000	47,000	70,000	+49
United States	280,250	206,300	319,605	+55

**10 Year All Pecan Production Chart**



## **USDA Data Users' Meeting**

**October 29, 2007**

**Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare**

**Rosemont, Illinois**

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The USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service will be organizing an open forum for data users. The purpose will be to provide updates on pending changes in the various statistical and information programs and seek comments and input from data users. Other USDA agencies to be represented will include the Agricultural Marketing Service, the Economic Research Service, the Foreign Agricultural Service, and World Agricultural Outlook Board. The Foreign Trade Division from the Census Bureau will also be included in the meeting. For registration details or additional information for the Data Users' Meeting, see the NASS homepage at [www.nass.usda.gov/forum/](http://www.nass.usda.gov/forum/) or contact Marjorie Taylor (NASS) at (202) 690-8141 or at [marjorie\\_taylor@nass.usda.gov](mailto:marjorie_taylor@nass.usda.gov).

This Data Users' Meeting precedes an Industry Outlook meeting that will be held at the same location on October 30, 2007. The Outlook meeting brings together analysts from various commodity sectors to discuss the outlook situation. For registration details or additional information for the Industry Outlook Meeting see the Livestock and Marketing Information Center (LMIC) homepage at [www.lmic.info](http://www.lmic.info) or contact Jim Robb at (720) 544-2941 or at [robb@lmic.info](mailto:robb@lmic.info).